

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: G. Neurauder
LAURENT FROUIN)	
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Application No.: 09/981,817)	
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Filed: October 19, 2001)	
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For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR)	
MANAGING A	:	
COMMUNICATION NETWORK)	October 25, 2006

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT TO PROVIDE INFORMATION

Sir:

In response to the requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.105 to provide information, Applicant responds as follows.

The requirement called for Applicant to identify any pending or abandoned applications filed by the inventor herein or the assignee of the subject application that disclose similar subject matter, at least including the applications referred to at page 7, lines 31-32 of the specification. Applicant submits that the following two (2) applications correspond to those referred to in the specification:

- 1) Application No. 09/345,969, now U.S. Patent No. 6,891,797
- 2) Application No. 09/778,827, now U.S. Patent No. 7,123,614.

In addition, Applicant hereby identifies the following applications have a common inventor:

- 3) Application No. 09/523,684, now U.S. Patent No. 6,778,543
- 4) Application No. 09/535,546, now U.S. Patent No. 7,099,322
- 5) Application No. 09/568,549, now U.S. Patent No. 6,880,097.

Applicant also hereby identifies the following French applications by their French publication number in which the inventor herein is also a named inventor:

- 6) French Publication No. 2 805 370
- 7) French Publication No. 2 794 918
- 8) French Publication No. 2 794 919
- 9) French Publication No. 2 806 236

Copies of each of the foregoing French publication are being provided herewith for the Examiner's consideration. Additionally, each of the foregoing references have been listed on a Form PTO-1449 accompanying this Response.

Inasmuch as the fee and certification requirements for consideration of the cited references has been waived, Applicant sees no reason why each of the foregoing references should not be considered. Accordingly, Applicant hereby requests that the Examiner initial the appropriate portion of the accompanying Form PTO-1449 to indicate his consideration of each reference, and that a copy of the initialed form be returned to Applicant with the next communication.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

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